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## Pilot Rock Trail Re-Route

**Medford, Ore.** -- The Medford District Bureau of Land Management (BLM) will begin constructing the re-route of the popular Pilot Rock trail, located within the Soda Mountain Wilderness, on July 21, 2014. The anticipated completion of the project will be late August 2014.

Visitors to this popular trail will likely encounter trail crews constructing the new portion of trail during this period. The trail will remain open with signs directing visitors to utilize the newly constructed section of trail. Visitors are encouraged to heed all signs and warnings along the trail in order to keep all trail crew workers safe.

Located in the Cascade Siskiyou National Monument, Pilot Rock is a popular destination for hikers who can make their way to the top of the rock without technical assistance. Footing on the unstable trail to Pilot Rock beyond the Pacific Crest National Scenic Trail is poor, and in some places there are large areas barren of vegetation caused by people seeking more stable footing along the sides of the trail. The trail is being re-routed in order to reduce resource damage, improve visitor safety, and protect the wilderness values in the Pilot Rock Area.

Information about the Soda Mountain Wilderness is available online at:

<http://www.blm.gov/or/wilderness/sodamountain/>

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